# **Special Issue**

# Mineralogical and Geochemical Characterization of Zn-Pb Ore Deposits: Insights into Their Genesis, Implications for Exploration, and Environmental Issues

### Message from the Guest Editors

Our forthcoming Special Issue "Mineralogical and Geochemical Characterization of Zn-Pb Ore Deposits: Insights into their genesis, implications for exploration, and environmental issues" invites contributions to unravel the mineralogical and geological intricacies of these ore systems, with the ultimate goals of deciphering genetic processes, offering clues to exploration, and providing indications on environmental impact. Zn-Pb ore deposits embrace a variety of types, including (but not limited to) Mississippi Valley Type (MVT), Sedimentary Exhalative (SEDEX), and Volcanogenic Massive Sulfides (VMS) deposits. They are formed in compressional to extensional geo-tectonic settings, from different fluid types circulating through different lithologies, resulting in a dynamic geological landscape for exploration. These deposits often also contain other valuable metals (e.g., Ag, Au), critical metals (e.g., Ga, Ge, REE), and industrial minerals (e.g., baryte, fluorite).

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